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The Button Property
Montgomery Co., MD
C. Mazurek
October 22, 1997
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Addendum

The Button house located on the west side of Black Rock Road in Seneca Creek State Park is used as a rental property by the Department of Natural Resources. The house appears on the exterior to be well kept up with no obvious changes to the structure since the last survey of the property in 1979.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Button Property, located on the west side of Black Rock Road, north of the Great Seneca Creek, is a typical early Twentieth Century farmstead of Montgomery County.

The main house is a two-story, stucco-over-frame structure with a heavy overhanging hipped roof and similarly hipped dormers on three of the four roof planes. Lightning rods on each of the dormers perform a practical as well as decorative function. Two chimneys are located on either side of what appears to have been at one time either a simple cupola or balustraded deck on the hipped roof.

A one-story open porch wraps around the east (main) and south facades. Any architectural details on the wooden supports or along the frieze have been covered by thick stucco.

The main facade is three bays wide: a central entrance flanked by two windows on the first story and three symetrically placed windows on the second story. A simple transom and sidelights surround the doorway. Plain box moulding outlines the 1/1 double-hung sashed windows of both stories.

Little distinguishes the three remaining facades. A second and third entrance are located on the south and west walls, respectively. The latter door has been blocked off. All windows are 2/2 double-hung sashed and are enframed with the plain box moulding.

Various outbuildings surround the farmhouse. All date from the same period as the main house.

The house and barns appear to be in good condition due to the fact that the complex is an active DNR rental property.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Button farmhouse is a typical circa 1910 dwelling found in abundance throughout the rural areas and small towns of Montgomery County. Although it lacks many of the details to give it architectural or historical distinction, this structure, with its associated outbuildings, well sited along Black Rock Road, is an important contribution to the rural fabric of the area.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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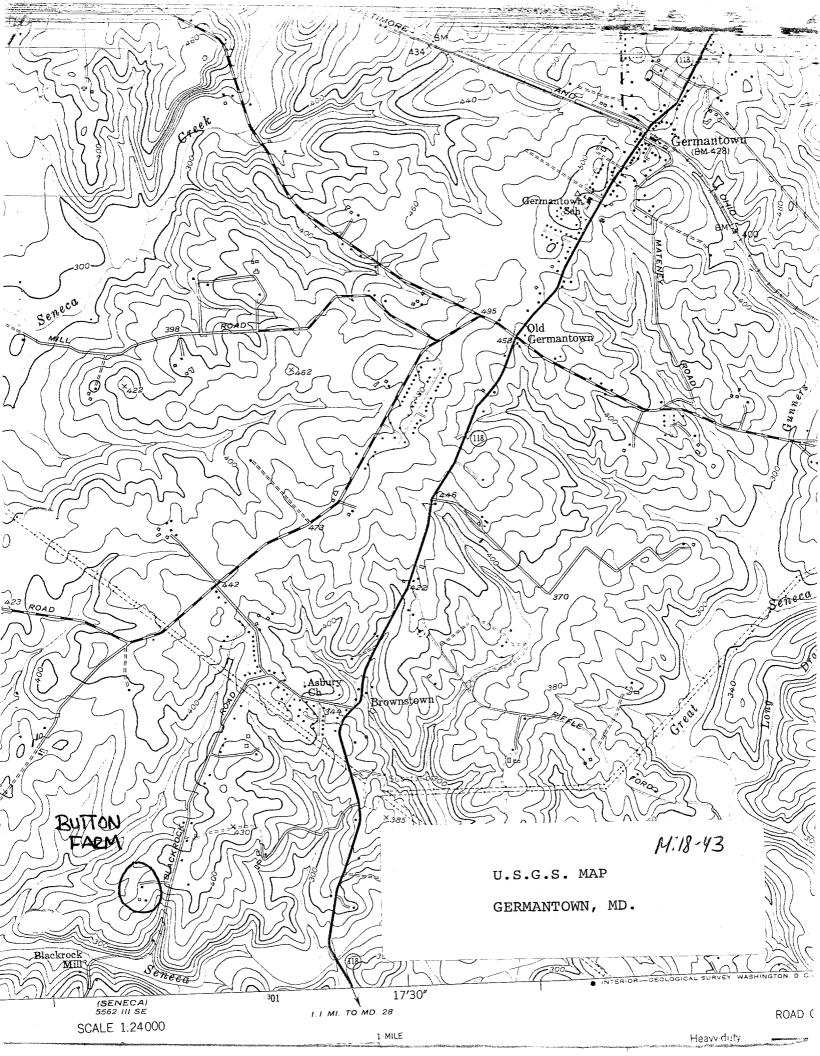
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